

Department of Justice

Subject: Microsoft Settlement

I believe it is time for the DOJ to terminate the proceedings against Microsoft. There never should have been a lawsuit. There has never been a shred of evidence that Microsoft has harmed the consumers. If anything Microsoft has been a tremendous force for uniting and standardizing the PC industry. No other company has stepped forward to do this. Microsoft has virtually no competition because no one else had the vision, foresight and nerve to invest and drive to develop an operating system that would make the PC the vital, universal tool that it is today. The companies that cannot compete have stooped to lawsuits through the government as the only way they can damage an industry leader. It only looks like sour grapes to me.

The US government should be giving Microsoft at-a-boys for being the driving force behind the most useful tool of the present generation and maybe of the 20th century. It is past time to stop harassing Microsoft, so they can get back to being the world leader in developing easy to use operating systems and other software which will keep the US in the forefront of this industry.

Sincerely,

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